



**CORPUS CHRISTI, ST. ALPHONSUS AND
ST. MARGARET CATHOLIC CHURCH
OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WHEATLEY**



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**Corpus Christi Church,
Margaret Road, Headington, OX3 8AJ**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church,
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St Gregory the Great Secondary School. T: 01865 749933**

Sunday 13th May 2018 Seventh Sunday of Easter

Saturday Our Lady of Lourdes 6.00 pm
Sunday Corpus Christi 9.00 am Charles McGarrity
Corpus Christi 11.00 am Special Intention
6.30 pm For the People of the Parish

Feast/Intention	Corpus Christi	The Priory
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Weekday Masses; Cycle B: Breviary Week 3

Monday 14 th	9.15am St. Matthias	6.30pm
Tuesday 15 th	9.15am	6.30pm
Wednesday 16 th	9.15am	6.30pm
Thursday 17 th	No morning Mass	6.30pm
	6.00pm (OLL Wheatley): Reception of Gretta Guy	
Friday 18 th	9.15am	6.30pm
	10.45am (OLL Wheatley) Requiem Mass: Gretta Guy	
Saturday 19 th	10.00am	

Solemnity of Pentecost

19 th May	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm Simon Jambrone
Sunday 20 th May	Corpus Christi	9.00 am George & Muriel Bean
	Corpus Christi	11.00 am Bridget & Reg Howell
	Corpus Christi	6.30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Saturday 10.30 to 11.00 am or any time at call.

Baptisms by appointment, normally first Sunday of the month at 12.30 pm.

Marriages normally require six months' notice.

Scripture Reflection

At the heart of what is known as the Priestly Prayer of Christ, Jesus prays that his disciples be consecrated in the truth (Gospel: John 17:11-19). Between the Ascension and Pentecost Peter

leads the Apostles in searching for the right candidate to take the place of Judas and Matthias is eventually chosen (First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26). St. John talks of the power of Spirit shared in us by God (Second Reading: 1 John 4:11-16).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: 'My soul give thanks to the Lord; all my being, bless his holy name.' (P102/103:1).

You may like to say this as a meditation on your Rosary.

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17
Tuesday Acts 20:17-27; John 17:1-11
Wednesday Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11-19
Thursday Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; John 17:20-26
Friday Acts 25:13-21; John 21:15-19
Saturday Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25

PARISH NOTICES

Catholic Quiz: Last week's answer: Red. This week's question: 'Of which city was St. Irenaeus the Bishop?'

Please check each week in the Newsletter whether or not there is Mass at the Priory.

Please park legally in the streets around the Church. We have had some **complaints recently from our neighbours.**

Please ensure that your mobile phones are switched off during Mass. They can be a great distraction.

If anyone, or you know of anyone who is thinking about becoming a Catholic please see Fr. Mervyn.

Gift Aid: would you please consider – if you are a tax payer – signing the Gift Aid form and handing it in to the Parish.

Volunteers for the Hospitals: volunteers are needed to help support the Chaplaincy team at the Hospitals, visiting the patients and on occasions taking Holy Communion to them. If anyone feels they would like to help, please see Fr. Mervyn. Volunteers are also needed for the League of Friends to help in the Cafeterias and Tea shops.

St. Gregory the Great Catholic Secondary School: if you are motivated to make a real contribution to the education of our children, please consider becoming a governor at the school. Would anyone interested please contact Fr. Mervyn.

Becoming a LiveSimply Parish: We are encouraged by Pope Frances to Live more simply, more sustainably and in solidarity with people in poverty. The minutes from the last meeting are on the noticeboard.

The Silent Music of Carmel: Course on Carmelite Prayer: Each evening of this short course includes the practical aspects of prayer, its difficulties and obstacles, talks on Carmelite Prayer and the experience of silent and guided prayer. **Thursday evenings in May 2018** – 17th, 24th and 31st. – **7.00 – 8.30pm** at **Carmelite Priory, Boars Hill, Oxford OX1 5HB.** **There is no charge – donations welcome.** For further information or to book for one or all of the sessions contact annette@goulden.co.uk or Carmelite Priory: 01865 735133/01865 730183 Email: retreat@carmelite.org.uk

Headington Gardens Open for Charity – Sunday 13 May: in aid of the National Gardens Scheme supporting medical charities: 11 Beech Rd., Monckton Cottage, 40 Osler Rd, 7 St. Andrews Rd, 9 Stoke Place, Ruskin College, The Coach House, White Lodge. **2.00 – 6.00pm; combined entry £5.00, Children free.** In 2017 Headington Gardens raised £2500 for charity. More information at ngs.org.uk.

Day of Recollection: Saturday May 19th at the College, Littlemore, on *Laudato Si*. Details on the Notice Board.

Eco Festival at Holy Trinity Church, Quarry - Sun 20 May, 2 to 5 pm. Free admission. Come along and learn about ways of putting into practice Pope Francis' teaching on the environment. More info on the noticeboard in the lobby.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday June 10th 2018.

On Sunday May 20th Pentecost Sunday we celebrate our international week-end. The Readings will be in different languages and there will be a **bring and share lunch after the 1100am Mass at Corpus Christi.**

Monday 21st May at 7.00pm: IPPC (Parish Council) Meeting at 7.00pm. If anyone would like to raise any issue then please contact Fr. Mervyn.

Tuesday 22nd May at 7.00pm: Parish Finance Committee meeting.

World Meeting of Families: 21st – 26th August 2018 in Dublin: if any family would like to go to this event, would they please see Fr. Mervyn for more details.

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – August 21st – 29th 2018: if anyone else would like to join this please call Tangney tours.

Eucharistic Congress 'Adoremus' in Liverpool: 7th-9th September 2018. This is a national event. If you would like to go to it please see Fr. Mervyn for more details.

Thank you to everyone who put in green tokens for the Thursday Lunch Club at Waitrose. They are giving the club £392 as a result – which helps to pay for things like emergency taxis and an occasional pianist.

Thursday Lunch Club: Thank you for all the lovely raffle prizes, very gratefully received. Do you know an elderly person living alone in Headington? They might like to come to the lunch club, for a home cooked meal and some company. For more details please ring Anna Brooke, 01865 760773.

Parish Hall: if anyone would like to book the Parish Hall, the contact for bookings is Peter Selwood in the Parish Office on 01865 762433 on Monday or Wednesday morning or email any time on catholicheadington@gmail.com.

We now have **new hymn books** at Corpus Christi which are not only much more colourful but also have an expanded repertoire and the common of the Mass at the front.

More Readers for the 6.30pm Sunday Mass: if anyone would be willing to be involved in this important ministry for the Parish, would he/she please contact Zenobia zenobiacarmel@gmail.com or Fr. Mervyn.

Catholic Schools: Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to u-turn on their promise to Catholics. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or

search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

***There is tea and coffee** every other week after the 9.00 am Mass and every week after the 6.00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes and after the 11.00am and 6.30 pm Mass at Corpus Christi. All are welcome.*

Offertories : 6th May Loose: £712.07 Gift Aid: £226.40

With thanks for all your generosity to the Parish and to charity.

There is 24/7 Live Internet Camera operating in Corpus Christi Church. Please see the Parish website for further information.

Please pray for

The sick and the housebound: Archie Allen, Carol Ayrton, Fr. John Baggley, Patricia Barfield, Margaret Bond, Rita Booker, Christopher Browne, Pedro Busette, John Claydon, Nicholas Coote, David Diggins, Michael Dolan, Maureen Felix, Philomena Garvey, Dominic Gondreau, Yvonne Goonesekara, Mario Kim (Fr Paul Kim's father), Joan Knatt, Rene Hilland, Theresa Johnson, Cynthia & Colville Lobendhan, Sandra Lockyer, Victoria Maceda, Carmel McGarry, R. J. Matava, Averil Nathaniels, Ameia Padua, Celine Peiris, Peter Perera, Alba Thorning, Jack Tilley, Ruth Tilley, Aileen Vangramberg, Diana Walden, Mary Wallace, Pat Walsh, Liz Ward, Louise Williams. Please pray for all who have recently died, especially Gretta Guy, Hazel Elleston and Charles McGarrity.

Parish Team Members

Parish Safeguarding: Kate Gills

Gift Aid: Pat Warnock

Health and Safety: John Kelly

Eucharistic Ministers Co-ordinators:

Finance Committee: Chris Barrie

Freda (Wheatley); Various (Corpus Christi)

Parish Administrator: Peter Selwood

Readers at Corpus Christi: Zenobia

Parish Secretary: Freda Duckmanton

Readers at Wheatley: Marc Lafferty

Altar Servers: Chris Barrie

Music: 9.00 am Kate; 11.00 Leo & Randy 6.30 pm Clare

Parish Hall: Peter Selwood

Mosaic: Francesco

Lunch Club: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Anna and Richard Brooke 01865 760773

Prayer for the Preparation of Mass

God our Father you call us to gather for this Sunday Mass.

Help us to draw strength from the Holy Scriptures and from the Holy Eucharist, so that we deepen our love for you.

May we be enlivened by the Holy Spirit to mirror the words and actions of your Son Jesus Christ

and become more clearly your instruments of mercy to others.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.